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► Participants at the start line of the Laura Szendrei 5- and 10-km Walk, Run and Roll in Delta yesterday.

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Slain teen honoured

About 1,700 people braved the pouring rain yesterday morning to walk, run and cycle in memory of Delta teenager Laura Szendrei. Participants raised \$27,000 for the Laura Szendrei Memorial Scholarship. Story, page 3.

Call renewed for police oversight

- Thomas Braidwood's 2009 report on Taser use in B.C. concluded a Taser jolt can be deadly in certain rare cases
- He called for tighter restrictions on their use and the creation of a civilian-led body to investigate police conduct

The case of an 11-year-old boy who was stunned with an RCMP Taser in Prince George is yet another reminder that police shouldn't be investigating themselves, the head of a public inquiry into the death of Robert Dziekanski said yesterday.

The Mounties have asked West Vancouver police to investigate what happened when the boy was jolted with a Taser on Thursday.

The boy is a suspect in the stabbing of a 37-year-old man, though police have not explained what prompted an officer to fire the Taser, what other options were used first, or whether the boy was holding a weapon.

Former appeal court justice Thomas Braidwood, who oversaw two sets of public hearings following Dziekanski's 2007 death at Vancouver's airport, said the case underscores his call for a civilian-

led body to investigate police.

The provincial government has since pledged to create such a body and the RCMP has promised to use it in cases involving its own officers, but it has so far not materialized.

Braidwood said he's still confident the province will follow through.

"They accepted all of the recommendations, so I'm very pleased with them about that," said Braidwood. "I just wish they'd hurry up."

Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond, B.C.'s representative for children and youth, said provincial government officials notified her about the incident because the boy was living in a group home.

She said she's considering whether her office will launch a formal investigation.

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Robertson speaks out against proposed protest bylaw

Vancouver's mayor has added his voice to those opposed to a proposed bylaw on protest structures that's being called "vague," "broad" and "restrictive."

City staff introduced a proposal titled "Structures for Public Expression on City Streets" to council Thursday and asked them to approve the bylaw, which would require protesters to — among other stipulations — come up with \$1,200 to set up a structure meant for protests. "What's proposed doesn't work. It's too restrictive with excessive fees and traffic management requirements," Robertson said. "It's too broad and isn't acceptable as drafted."

Robertson insisted any bylaw will not restrict freedom of expression or speech, but the issue of structures is a delicate one.

● MATT KIELTYKA

IHIT probe shooting

A 47-year-old man was taken to hospital after he was shot by police officers yesterday morning near the Vancouver police building in the Downtown Eastside.

Vancouver Const. Jana McGuinness said the man underwent surgery for a gunshot wound.

● PHYLCIA TORREVILLAS



► Participants at the start line of the Laura Szendrei 5- and 10-km Walk, Run and Roll in Delta yesterday.

Hundreds turn out in memory of teen

► Laura Szendrei 5- and 10-km Walk, Run and Roll held at Burnsvie Secondary School in Delta ► Money raised will go to Laura Szendrei Memorial Scholarship Foundation Society ► More than \$27,000 raised



KRISTEN THOMPSON
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Roughly 1,700 people braved the pouring rain yesterday morning to walk, run and cycle in memory of Delta teenager Laura Szendrei.

Participants wore running gear and "I (heart) L.S." T-shirts at the first annual fundraiser for a scholarship in Szendrei's name.

"We're in shock (with the turnout)," said Wendy

Colville, one of the organizers, adding she was expecting around 500 participants.

"Laura was a huge part of this community and it's overwhelming to see how many people are supporting this."

Colville's son was good friends with Szendrei.

"When I saw how (her death) affected him I had to do something about it," she said.

"This is going to reassure them that we're all here be-

hind them."

Bria Dinunzio, 16, was friends with Szendrei and came out to participate in the five-kilometre walk.

"It's good to have something to remember her by," she said.

Dinunzio said the turnout underscores the impact Szendrei had on the lives of her classmates, teachers and community.

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A life cut short

Laura Szendrei was beaten in an apparently random attack in Mackie Park on Sept. 24, 2010.

- 1 Police charged a 17-year-old boy with her murder in February.
- 2 Laura would have turned 16 last week.



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► B.C. NDP candidates use latest debate to continue to support each other
► New Democrats will mark their ballots for a new leader on April 17

The four candidates in the race to become the next leader of B.C.'s NDP rarely clashed, as usual, during a debate that was broadcast yesterday.

John Horgan, Dana Larsen, Adrian Dix and Mike Farnworth mostly agreed to vote against the harmonized sales tax in the upcoming referendum, in-

crease spending on education and health care, and roll back corporate tax cuts, gambling and Medicare premiums.

They also proposed to review fracking, a process in which water is pumped into the ground to extract natural gas, as well as tolls on the Golden Ears and soon-to-be twinned Port

Mann bridges.

The candidates took questions from media panelists. They also had a chance to ask each other questions, which they mostly used to showcase one another and blast the B.C. Liberals, rather than distinguish themselves from each other.

Larsen, a marijuana ac-

tivist, lobbed one of his questions at Horgan, the party's energy critic about B.C. Hydro's controversial contracts with independent power producers.

Horgan returned the favour in one of his questions, and let Larsen promote his plan to regulate and tax marijuana.

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Political aides to reap rewards if Tories elected

If Stephen Harper's Conservatives are re-elected on May 2, political aides in ministerial offices could find a nice bonus when they return to work.

The Harper government has quietly approved increases in the maximum salaries political staffers are entitled to receive.

In addition, suddenly out-of-work staffers could find the blow considerably cushioned if the Tories were to lose the election. That's because the government has also approved a 50 per cent increase in the maximum separation pay political aides can receive — up to six months from four. That's on top of severance pay.

The changes went into effect April 1, just one week before Prime Minister

Stephen Harper announced budget cuts to eliminate the federal deficit one year ahead of schedule, in 2014-15. He said that feat would be achieved "by controlling spending and cutting waste."

Whether a staffer actually receives the maximum allowable salary or separation pay is left up to the discretion of each minister, who must still keep within their total office budgets.

But they'll have a little more money to play with since the government has decreed that ministers' offices should no longer have to foot the bill for international travel by ministers, their staff and parliamentary secretaries. Those costs will now be absorbed by government departments instead. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Harper warns of return to Liberal economic woes

► PM says Liberal minority of the 1970s had long-term damage on economy ► Opposition warns Tory cuts could hurt social programs



Pierre Trudeau has made a sudden reappearance in a Canadian federal election — a decade after his death.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper is warning that if his rivals get elected, the

country will return to the days of economic darkness when it was led by his late Liberal predecessor.

The early 1970s — a time when a minority Liberal government relied on support from the NDP — inflicted long-term damage on the Canadian economy, Harper said yesterday.

It led to two decades of runaway spending, higher taxes, double-digit unemployment and interest rates, he added.

"All they did was spend money," the prime minister said from a farm in Acton Vale, Que.

"We were a generation fixing those problems. When I look at the Liberal platform today ... I'm saying that's the alternative. That is the route the country will go down unless it stays on the path we're on, with a strong, stable majority Conservative government."

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► Thirteen-month-old Mat Hurian reacts as his father Eric tries to take away a signed copy of the NDP election platform handed to him by NDP Leader Jack Layton yesterday in Toronto.

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Gadhafi OK's new ceasefire plan

► Brokered by the African Union, agreement is to also allow humanitarian aid ► No plan to withdraw troops

A delegation of African leaders said yesterday that their Libyan counterpart, Moammar Gadhafi, accepted their "road map" for a ceasefire with rebels, whom they will meet today.

They met hours after NATO air strikes battered Gadhafi's tanks, helping Libyan rebels push back government troops who had been advancing quickly toward the opposition's eastern stronghold.

The African Union's road map calls for an immediate ceasefire, co-operation in opening channels for humanitarian aid and starting a dialogue between the rebels and the government. AU officials, however, made



► Moammar Gadhafi

no mention of any requirement for Gadhafi to pull his troops out of cities as rebels have demanded.

"We have completed our mission with the brother leader, and the brother

leader's delegation has accepted the road map as presented by us," said South African President Jacob Zuma.

He travelled to Tripoli with the heads of Mali and Mauritania to meet with Gadhafi, whose more than 40-year rule has been threatened by the uprising that began nearly two months ago.

Gadhafi has ignored the ceasefire he announced after international air strikes were authorized last month, and he rejects demands from the rebels, the U.S. and its allies that he relinquish power immediately.

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The Retail Council of Canada reports that more Canadians are spending their money south of the border where prices are lower. Canadian prices are higher because stores have to pay high import taxes, the council says, and cross-border shopping ends up taking money out of local economies.

One of the most far-reaching effects of the high dollar is the impact on exporters. Research by Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters, a trade organization, shows that for every one-cent rise in the loonie relative to the greenback, it

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costs Canadian companies \$1.5 billion more to do business globally each year.

As the loonie rises, Canadian products become more expensive to sell

abroad, making it harder for Canadian companies to compete with manufacturers in countries with weaker currencies.

Some companies are investing in new equipment so they become more productive and better able to compete, CME says. But that financial investment puts jobs at risk.

However, a sector that is making more money thanks to the high loonie is the travel industry, where Canadians now get a favourable exchange rate.

Travel deals are abundant, says the Association of Canadian Travel Agencies, and Canadians are booking vacations in advance in the hope of locking in hot deals.

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Production. Chop

► Akio Toyoda, president of Toyota Motor Corp., takes questions from reporters in Nagoya, central Japan, on Friday after announcing temporary shutdowns at the automaker's North American plants.

KYODO NEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Toyota's tough breaks

Toyota Motor Corp. will suspend production at its 13 North American plants in a series of one-day shutdowns this month as a result of parts shortages caused by the March 11 earthquake that hit Japan. The shutdowns will affect 25,000 workers, but there will be no layoffs, the world's No. 1 automaker said.

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MISSED THE TASER MEMO

Details on the Tasing of an 11-year-old boy at his group home by Prince George RCMP last Thursday are sketchy ...

Whoa! Did I say "the Tasing of an 11-year-old boy?" Yup. And the details are sketchy. The boy in question allegedly stabbed a 37-year-old person with a steak knife, and then barricaded himself. I can't tell from the reports at this point if he still had the knife.

But it wasn't until he left the house that he was Tasered. The boy's alleged victim has non-life-threatening injuries, and, as this is written, the condition of the boy isn't clear. We do know our intrepid Representative for Children and Youth Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafonde is on the case.

Her questions: "Why are we using Tasers on children? Did the police take steps to de-escalate the situation?" Good questions.

How hard can it be to subdue an 11-year-old? Even if he's spitting like a cornered wolverine, he's still 11. The RCMP is 138. Advantage RCMP.

In Lakewood, Colo., last week, an eight-year-old boy made international news when he was pepper-sprayed during a violent meltdown. Police chose not to Taser him because it would be too dangerous.

If the RCMP doesn't know it by now, especially in the wake of the notorious death of Robert Dziekanski at the Vancouver Airport, those things are indeed dangerous. Critics say more than 245 people have died since Tasers were introduced as "non-lethal" alternatives to guns. According to the CBC, 20 of those deaths have occurred in Canada, several of those in B.C. and at least one in Prince George.

But those facts obviously don't cut a lot of mustard with the RCMP, which apparently can't bring down an 11-year-old without resorting to its officially authorized thunderbolt. It gets murky when you try to figure out exactly how much voltage ran through the targeted 11-year-old. Depending on the model, it's anywhere from 1,500 to 50,000 volts. At least as bad as getting zapped by a toaster or an electrical outlet, and anyone who has been blown across the room by sticking a screwdriver where it shouldn't go can.

By now, we shouldn't be surprised by violence from children; this kid's behaviour obviously required caution. What it did not require and will never require, was electrocution, even of the "non-lethal" variety.

The RCMP has changed its guidelines for using Tasers in the wake of the Dziekanski affair. Maybe the officer who Tasered the kid didn't get the memo, but whatever happened, it's time to take 11-year-olds out of the line of fire.

Once and for all.

Letters

Re: Profane pin pushes buttons (Metro, April 7)

VANCOUVER. I am all for freedom of expression, and individual rights such as those Jean Wharf was denied. It was done in a rude and disrespectful way and was over-the-top. I have small children that ride with me on SkyTrain. I hope the B.C. Civil Liberties Association would take in to account my rights to not expose my children to what is typically considered offensive. I would not want someone to ride topless or practise yoga on SkyTrain either.

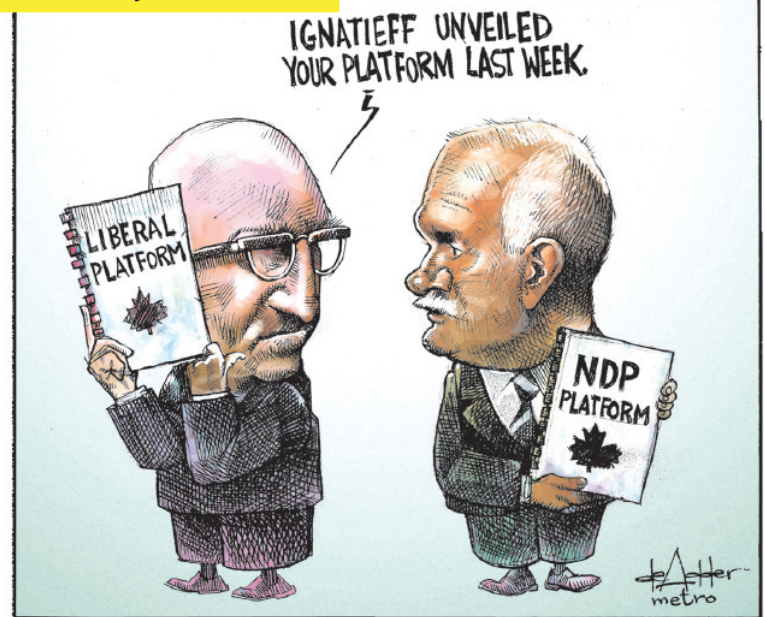
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VANCOUVER. This person had not paid to use SkyTrain in the first place. What was her reaction when she was caught? Was she respectful to the TransLink officers? If not, they had the right to not let her on the train for any reason.

SAHAR KHALILI

Cartoon by Michael De Adder



WEIRD NEWS

Keep the chatter to sutures, organs

As the NHL playoffs approach, B.C. surgeons are being reminded to tone down on the hockey chit-chat when working on patients on the operating table.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of B.C. issued the advisory in a quarterly report in December following a complaint from a patient, CBC News reports.

The man was undergoing an elec-

tive eye surgery with a local anesthetic.

"He alleged that during the entire surgery, the physicians and nursing staff discussed ice hockey, which made him very uncomfortable," the advisory reads. "He expressed concern that this 'idle chatter' could have disrupted his surgeon's concentration and resulted in an operative mistake."

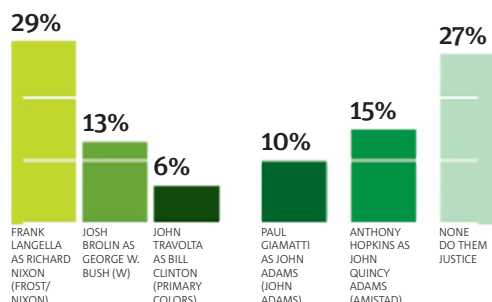
There were no errors during the surgery, but the college said the incident serves as a good reminder for surgeons to be discreet while in the operating room or in any open area when chatting about non-medical subjects or about topics not relevant to the task at hand.

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@vwayner: Before I leave #yvr I have to see the Olympic Cauldron once again

@incredimike: Hi #Vancouver, please stop bringing your @%&\$ dogs into

restaurants. Restaurant owners, please kick out these stupid patrons. Seriously.

@August95: Rain, Rain, go away. #Vancouver

@Amritpals: Is luvn this rainy weather! #vancouver

@JenniferDolls: Dear rain, Will you ever go away so that the sun can come out and I can once again ride my cruiser bike around #Vancouver? Yours truly.

@Subhedgehog: Great to see #whitecapsfc captain Demerit back in the lineup vs #dynamo. Time to decide where to watch the match ...



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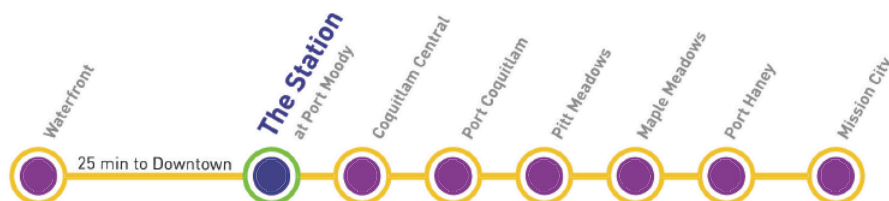
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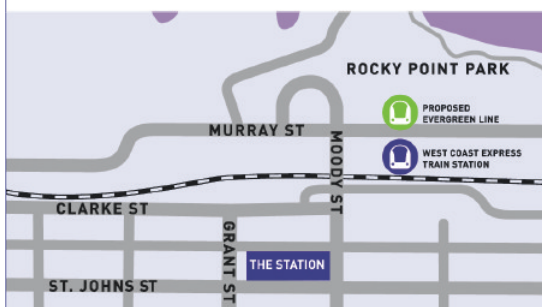
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► The team behind Top Chef Canada stuck to a simple recipe in cooking up the inaugural Cancon version of the popular Emmy-winning TV franchise.

The knives come out on Top Chef Canada

► Successful American cooking show comes north of the border for the first time ► Three from B.C. compete for the crown of Top Chef Canada

The team behind Top Chef Canada stuck to a simple recipe when cooking up the inaugural Cancon version of the popular Emmy-winning TV franchise.

They focused on using the best chefs from across the country, and added a dash of Canadiana in the cooking challenges.

Top Chef Canada, which premieres tonight on Food Network Canada, isn't a reinvention of the cooking

reality show and will feel familiar to fans who have followed the nine seasons of Top Chef, plus its slew of spinoffs. After all, a good chef knows to keep it simple and not overcomplicate a dish just to show off, said head judge Mark McEwan, known for the TV series The Heat with Mark McEwan and his high-end Toronto restaurants Bymark, Fabbrica, North 44 and ONE.

"There's a great Canadian sensibility to (the show)," said McEwan, hinting that chefs were tasked with preparing regional specialties such as moose and salted cod during some challenges.

"It's the fact that it's our chefs, I think that's what makes it special, it relates to all the major cities around the country and everyone will be into that. There was a major compe-

tition going on here between East Coast and West Coast – huge, huge, huge – there always has been in Canada.

"That (rivalry) to me was the best part."

The competition got heated and intense, McEwan said, with an impressive cast of chefs who have worked for the likes of Gordon Ramsay, Susur Lee and Oprah Winfrey.

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Locals compete

There are 16 chefs compete to be the winner of Top Chef Canada. British Columbia has three competitors.

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- **Dale Mackay.** Earned the coveted Grand Chef Relais & Chateaux status.

Scene in brief

The good news for Russell Brand is that his animated comedy Hop remains the top movie for the second-straight weekend with US\$21.7 million.

The bad news is that his new live-action comedy Arthur could not jump as high as Hop.

The Warner Bros. remake of Dudley Moore's 1981 romance, Arthur was a distant second with a modest debut of \$12.6 million.

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Eva's identity crisis

Desperate Housewives star says split from Tony Parker was 'heartbreaking'

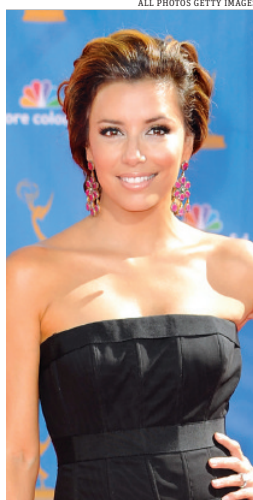
Eva Longoria opened up for the first time about her divorce from Tony Parker, telling Piers Morgan about her initial reaction to the breakup.

"It was heartbreaking,"

Longoria says. "It was disappointing because I had such an identity in being Mrs. Parker and being a wife. And so, when that's taken away from you, you go, 'Who am I?' It was hard."

Still, Longoria refuses to trash-talk her ex-husband: "I would never speak ill about him or the time we had together," she says. "I really, really valued it. Seven years together is a long time."

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Richie fights back against rumours

Nicole Richie wants to make one thing clear: She is not expecting another child.

"Contrary to recent speculation, I am not pregnant," Richie says, according to People magazine. "This irresponsible reporting continues to feed an atmosphere of self-doubt and insecurity. To publicly point out a change in anyone's body is mean-spirited and cruel."

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Celebrity tweets



"Tweeting from the stage of The Palace Theater..! I love you Columbus!! Just keeps getting better!!"



@charliesheen

@lindsaylohan

"Sorry @soho-house i'm in bed reading scripts... maybe another time when its pleasant"



@joelmchale

"Shot a bit for @sesame-street yesterday. It's a dream come true to be on that show although I'm always a little hesitant about nude scenes."



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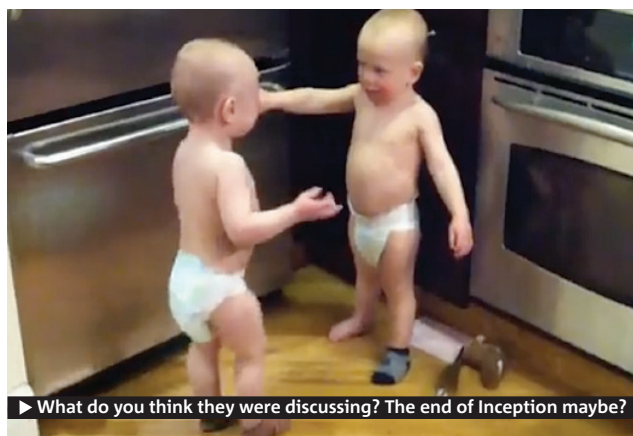
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► What do you think they were discussing? The end of Inception maybe?

The talking twins

► Recently, the world watched the viral video of twin baby boys having a conversation filled with 'da-das' instead of words ► What was happening? ► We asked Stephen Camarata, PhD and professor of hearing and speech sciences at Vanderbilt School of Medicine in Nashville

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In the YouTube video, it looks like the babies are having an actual conversation. But what are we witnessing?

Essentially, you are watching two toddlers using many conversational features, including intonation, turn taking, facial expression and gesture along with babbling. The babbling includes syllables and speech sounds that appear in regular words.

But they're not actual words?
At this age, few children have full knowledge of word meaning and grammatical markers, so this is not quite the same as an adult conversation.

A parallel might be for me and another person, neither of whom speaks Japanese, to have a pretend conversation in that language. We could mimic key features including bowing, Japanese intonation and could generally make the words sound like we were speaking Japanese. But there would be no specific meaning. That's the case with these twins.

Do the "da-das" stand for something?

Yes, as in the Japanese example, the da-das are fillers in the phrases they are saying. They are not random sounds, but word-like in their structure.

Does the fact that they're twins make a difference?

Yes, a twin — a "clone" in

terms of DNA — is a great conversational match. They have the same genes, a lot of shared experiences, similar physical and mental maturity as well as a propensity for being interested in similar things. They are a good match for each other as a peer.

The video speaks for itself in terms of the pure enjoyment they are having while speaking to each other.

The hand gestures — did they learn those by watching adults?

This is hard to know with certainty. I would hypothesize that these were indeed learned from watching adults. You can see in the video that they imitate each other, which leads one to believe they

also imitate adults.

What should parents look for when their child starts to talk, so they know the kid is "on track?"

The video shows several key things to look for. The babble is speech-like, as if they are practicing words. They smile at each other and respond to vocalizations.

They point and look at what is being pointed to and they use gestures. They are socially engaged and show a general interest in each other and in mom — who evidently is filming.

You can look at this video and say this is not at all like what we often see in toddlers with autism. Even with no specific words, it is clear that the

twins are quite social in ways that children with autism are not.

Your next study should be about curing our addiction to YouTube baby videos. Are you available to help a world in need? I can't stop.

Actually, I would not be opposed to watching this kind of video often. All who watch are captivated by the happy, carefree toddlers having a grand ol' time.

Worries about getting into the right preschool so I can get into the right primary and secondary so I can go to Cambridge or Oxford — that does not appear to be on the forefront of their minds!

Who could watch this without it bringing a smile to their face?

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Military study

Kids of soldiers scored lower on standardized tests if their parents were deployed 19 months or more, according to a report from the RAND Corporation. The younger the kid, the lower the score. ● METRO



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► This recipe uses the classic flavours of Rata- touille Gratin

Ratatouille is a classic French country dish of vegetables cooked in their own juices until tender. Taking the same classic flavours, we layered the vegetables with cheese in a gratin-like dish.

If you can't find Comte cheese, Gruyere is a good substitute.

Ratatouille Gratin

Preparation:

- 1 Heat oven to 180 C (350 F).
- 2 In skillet over medium, heat olive oil. Add onions, garlic and bell pepper. Sauté for 10 or until tender.
- 3 Add basil, thyme, tomatoes, vinegar, salt and pepper. Bring to simmer and cook for 5 more minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 4 Spread a third of the tomato mix over bottom of a deep pie pan. Using a third of each



► This Gratin dish takes one hour and 15 minutes to make (30 minutes active), and makes eight servings.

vegetable, arrange one layer each of squash, zucchini and eggplant rounds over tomato mixture, alternating vegetables and overlapping slightly. Sprinkle 125 ml (1/2 cup) of the cheese over that. Repeat layering two more times, ending with cheese.

- 5 Bake for 45 minutes or until vegetables are tender when pierced with a knife. Increase heat to

broil and cook for another 2 to 3 minutes

to lightly brown the top.
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Ingredients:

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil
- 2 yellow onions, sliced
- 3 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, cored and sliced
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) packed fresh basil leaves, chopped
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) chopped fresh thyme
- 1 can (398 ml/14 oz)

- chopped tomatoes, drained
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) red wine vinegar
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) ground black pepper
- 2 small summer squash, small zucchini, Japanese eggplants, sliced into thin rounds
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) comte cheese

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SCAN LIFE

Judging the weight of waste

► If you feel some stats on waste are tricky to grasp, take this ► A metallic receipt, as heavy as all the empty boxes and wrappers your groceries arrived in ► It's a smart way to know the weight of supermarket packaging

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Every year, millions of tonnes of supermarket packaging goes straight to the landfill, putting a burden on our environment and adding to our carbon footprint.

But reading these massive numbers in wasteful packaging can be hard to digest.

Oliver Bourne, a 23-year-old London-based graphic designer, created a novel way to physically show, and feel, the amount of plastic wrappers and paper coverings wasted from a single trip to the super-

market.

It's a receipt as heavy as all that packaging waste put together.

Bourne reconfigured the shopping receipt to show the weight of each piece of packaging instead of its price.

Metro spoke to Bourne about his fresh take on raising eco-awareness in our everyday spending.

When and how did you create this shopping receipt made from lead?

I made it when I was studying graphic design.

I crafted the item from a piece of scrap lead and cut it so it would weigh approximately three kilograms.

In the workshop I



made a cast of a receipt out of metal.

The lead was then melted into the cast.

To obtain the exact weight I had to trim material. The text was screen printed on to the metal receipt.

What was your main inspiration behind it?

What first inspired me was one day I realized my green bin for recycling waste filled up very quickly and it was mostly from packaging from food products. Also, as a former employee at a supermarket, I knew how packaging was simply thrown away.

So, when it came to creating this lead receipt,

I just wanted to highlight this problem by designing something that would be thought-provoking.

What has been the reaction amongst people you know to this 'lead receipt'?

Friends and colleagues of mine were fascinated but at the same time very surprised, even shocked, at how heavy a week's waste of packaging can be.

Do you think supermarkets are making a conscious effort to reduce packaging?

I feel that supermarkets have not been doing enough to reduce packaging, but luckily city councils around the U.K. have been imposing new rules to tackle our waste.

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In nearly every campus bookstore, a few shelves are now devoted to the perceived epidemic of plagiarism.

There seems to be a common belief among faculty and students alike that the problem has reached epic proportions — and must be stopped at all costs.

But University of Regina librarian Cara Bradley wants to bring some discipline and common sense to the discussion. In her latest book, *Plagiarism Education and Prevention*, Bradley contends that the problem is relatively at the same level it was in the '60s, and that the issue is often oversimplified.

"My experience was that, at the beginning of the semester you got a syllabus and — among the many other things on there — it would say, 'Don't Plagiarize!'" she

says. "But there really wasn't much discussion of what they meant by that or an acknowledgment that academic integrity poses different problems in different fields of study."

Over 16 chapters, the book takes a subject-specific approach to cribbing, looking at eye-grabbing events in different fields. Joe Biden's 1987 plagiarized speech is covered in detail, as well as Microsoft vs. Twitter and the controversy over the 1982 song *Down Under* by Australian band Men at Work.

"People tend to think that academic integrity is a cut-and-dry issue," says Bradley.

"Yeah, if you buy a paper off the Internet, that's a problem, no matter what field you're in. But it is usually more complex, and it can be a tricky call depending on the subject area. I think we're denying students the opportunity to think through the issues by not admitting that."



► Sami Kholreibi has had a mind for business from a young age.

Turning Point
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At the age of six, Sami Kholreibi was selling lemonade by the glass and peddling gently used books to his neighbours. When he was eight, he helped design an automated feather duster.

Kholreibi was always an aspiring entrepreneur

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but it was when he got to London, Ont. that he really began to soar. Within six months of graduating from the University of Western Ontario, Kholreibi and three partners started Camdex Energy, an oil and gas company based in Toronto.

"I spent a lot of time travelling, especially in the Middle East," he says. He learned about the Masdar Initiative and its goal to make Abu Dhabi an epicenter in renewable energies.

"I had an entrepreneurial eureka moment."

Enviromena Power Systems was formed in 2007 and is now on its way to becoming the largest solar energy company in the Middle East and North Africa. Sami is once again soaring but

admits any business venture can be a roller-coaster ride of ups and downs.

"You can't let them impact you or the positive attitude required to be a successful entrepreneur."

Entrepreneurial advice from Sami

- Dive into the deep end.
- Take advice from those you trust.
- Be willing to share the pie with people who can add value.
- Be prepared for ups and downs.

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STUDENT VOICE

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In 2005, I was finishing up the fourth and final year of my economics degree at Queen's University. I didn't know what I wanted to do or where I was going to be in six months.

This experience was alarming to me. As a life-long student to this point, I assumed the school-to-work transition was a well-beaten path with all of the services and conveniences you'd expect from one.

I was scared, confused and frustrated, but at least I wasn't alone: my friends and classmates were in the same boat. Each of my six housemates chose to delay their entrance into the workplace by enrolling in one form of post-graduate education or another, and I did the same, choosing a one-year program at the London School of Economics, where I earned my masters in Economic History.

While in the U.K., I discovered that the school-to-work transition was much less painful than in Canada. I used an online tool to research and apply to employers that interested me, and, even though I had two arts degrees under my belt and very little work experience, it was relatively easy

for me to find a fantastic entry-level job.

I spent a year working for a small consulting firm in central London. My job was to interview big banks about technology and then crunch the data to produce reports. While I loved the entrepreneurial energy of the company and was proud of the work I accomplished, I realized within the year that I was not going to reach my potential working in a junior role within another firm.

Looking back, there were always signs that entrepreneurship was a career path that suited me. As a teenager, determined to become a famous, successful actress, I hustled my way into one of Toronto's most prestigious talent agencies and also built, ran and marketed a website for young actors, appropriately called Big Dreamers.

Where Lauren is now

So I moved back to Canada in late 2007 with a simple mission based both on my own career aspirations and what I'd observed in London: Start a company that improved the school-to-work transition for Canadian post-secondary students and recent grads.

I had been there, done that and seen it done better. I wanted to take what I'd learned from my U.K. experience and implement it



► Lauren Friese is the founder of TalentEgg.ca, a company dedicated to easing the school-to-work transition for young Canadians.

in Canada, the result being TalentEgg.ca.

Student Voice (this column) is an initiative we started to raise awareness of the struggles that students face as they transition from school to work, and to provide inspiration through success stories to the many students, recent grads and career-transitioners in search of meaningful work.

Key take-aways from Lauren's school-to-work transition

- Figure out what you like to do (and what you don't like to do) by exploring your interests while in school, on your summer break or after graduation.
- Work or travel abroad to learn about new points of view and different ways of life. Employers in Canada

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Sports in brief



1 Charl Schwartzel closed with four straight birdies to win the Masters by two strokes at Augusta National.

2 The Florida Panthers fired head coach Peter DeBoer yesterday.

3 The Chicago Bulls won their seventh in a row by beating the Orlando Magic 102-99.

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Whitecaps fall short in Houston

Bobby Boswell scored the go-ahead goal and added an assist to lead the Houston Dynamo to their first win of the season, 3-1 over the Vancouver Whitecaps last night.

Boswell put the Dynamo ahead 2-1 in the 42nd minute, deflecting a pass from Danny Cruz in-

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to the left net from eight yards out.

Rookie Will Bruin scored his first MLS goal in the 76th minute, getting a breakaway pass from Brad Davis on the left sideline and knocking it over Whitecaps goalkeeper Jay Nolly, who was sliding out of the box.

After Cruz hit a shot off the crossbar in the

28th minute, the Dynamo capitalized off a Davis corner kick in the 37th. Davis sent the ball to the right box and Boswell headed it to Cam Weaver, who sent it into the right net for a 1-0 lead.

Camilo answered for Vancouver a minute later. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



They meet again

► Canucks will face the Blackhawks in the first round of the playoffs

When Vancouver Canucks fans talk about the team's history, two of the highlights are losing in Game 7 of the 1994 Stanley Cup final and former coach Roger Neilson waving a white towel on a hockey stick to protest the officiating during a 1982 playoff game. Defeat and surrender.

This year the Canucks have a chance to write a new chapter in team lore. The Canucks enter the NHL playoffs coming off the best regular season in the franchise's 40-year history. They are legitimate contenders to be the first Canadian team to win the Stanley Cup since the 1993 Montreal Canadiens.

The Canucks will face their old nemesis, the defending Stanley Cup champion Chicago Blackhawks, in the first round of the playoffs. Vancouver hosts Game 1 on Wednesday and Game 2 on Friday before the series shifts to Chicago.

The Blackhawks elimi-

117 Number of points earned by the Canucks (54-19-9), giving them their first ever Presidents' Trophy.

nated Vancouver from the second round of the playoffs the last two seasons, but they will ice a very different team this year. Salary cap issues resulted in players like goaltender Antti Niemi, Dustin Byfuglien, Andrew Ladd and Ben Eager all being stripped from the Chicago lineup.

Meanwhile, the Canucks have added players like defencemen Dan Hamhuis and Keith Ballard, forward Raffi Torres, and backup goaltender Cory Schneider.

"We have two different teams now," said Canuck captain Henrik Sedin. "From last year, we have changed five or six guys and they have lost key guys."

"It's not the same teams."

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► Daniel Sedin, right, says the Canucks have "to realize that we don't need to do anything extra. It's about coming to the rink and working hard and playing the right way."

Stoughton clinches world gold in Regina

It took 15 years, but Canada's Jeff Stoughton finally has his second World Men's Curling Championship.

Stoughton, third Jon Mead, second Reid Caruthers and lead Steve Gould defeated Scotland's

10-1 Canada was stellar in the preliminary round with a 10-1 record. Their only loss was to Norway.

Tom Brewster 6-5 in last night's championship game.

Stoughton and Gould won the world crown 15 years ago in Hamilton, Ont. Stoughton and Mead were teammates when they lost the 1999 world final in an extra end in Saint John, N.B.

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Sports in brief

Another first for Raonic

ATP. Milos Raonic, from Thornhill, Ont., won his first senior ATP clay match yesterday, downing France's Michael Llodra 6-3, 0-6, 6-0 in first-round action at the Monte Carlo Masters. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Lemaire goes out with a win

NHL. Jacques Lemaire walked away from coaching for probably the final time, announcing his retirement yesterday after the New Jersey Devils beat the playoff-bound Boston Bruins 3-2 on third-period goals by Vladimir Zharkov and Alexander Urbom.

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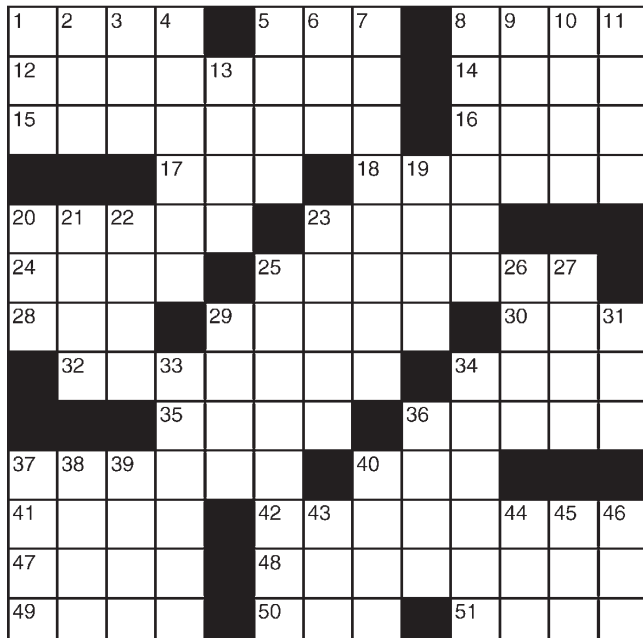
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5 On in years
8 Venomous vipers
12 Piranha, for one
14 Road Runner's noise
15 French menu phrase
16 Exposed
17 "— Gratia Artis" (motto of MGM)
18 Very, very tiny
20 — Saxon
23 Superdry, as champagne
24 Swimming venue
25 Bush successor ... and vice versa
28 Mess up
29 Football coaching legend Don
30 — Moines
32 Whodunit
34 Lion's share
35 Piano array
36 Two score
37 Dig up
40 Help
41 Press
42 Freeway sign
47 File's partner
48 Inventor of basketball
49 Potatoes buds
50 Hosp. sections
51 Location

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2 Pickle container
3 Blackbird
4 Drugstore chain begun in 1902
5 Elevator name
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7 With listlessness
8 Costello's partner
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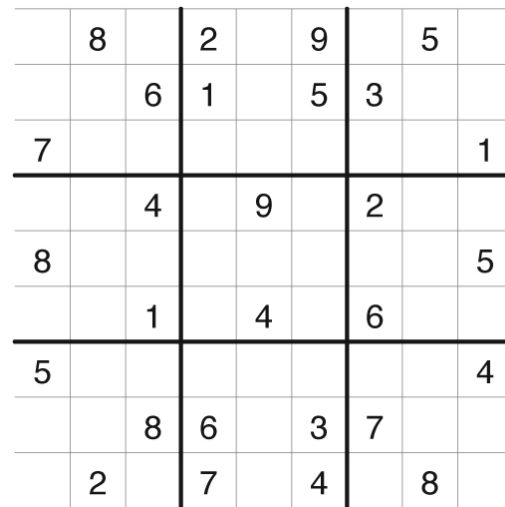


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► Yesterday's answer



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Yesterday's answer ►

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9	4	1	2	6	3	5	8	7
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8	7	2	3	5	1	6	4	9
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4	5	9	7	1	8	3	6	2
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Lori, I just want to let you know that you are everything to me and I love you so much, i am so sorry for the things that i have done and i hope that we could be the way we were before. i miss you so much and love you more than ever. BABY.

AH, The times that we have spent together will always cherish my memory. Thanks for everything! Plus, give your best shot to everything. develop self-confidence & success will be at your doorstep. don't worry! - A SINCERE FRIEND.

I looked through a window and found you. You have captured my heart for ever, my darling. YOUR LOLO

Erin, I luff you infinity. Enough Said. MEG

Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Watch your back as the week begins, don't let rivals creep up on you.
♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Unless it really is a sure thing give what others are proposing a miss, for now.
♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Put your heart and soul into what you are doing. Make sure you are the very best. Be brilliant.
♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 A work colleague seems to have it in for you and you don't

have the faintest idea why.
♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23 If you get the chance to go somewhere different today you must take it.
♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 Listen to what your conscience tells you, then act on it. Your heart knows the way to go.
♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Give partners and loved ones room to be themselves.
♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 No matter how irritating certain people may be you must not let them get under your skin.

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♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Fate is sending good things your way, so make the most of them.
♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Live in the moment and make each moment special.
♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Make sure you don't shout at the wrong person today.
♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You may be generous by nature but that does not mean you have to give it all away.
SALLY BROMPTON

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